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In re Application of
Ralph C. Struthers et al.
Serial Number: 10/666,663
Filed: September 18, 2003
For: STORAGE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
SORPTION AND DESORPTION OF MOLECULAR
GAS CONTAINED BY STORAGE SITES OF
NANO-FILAMENT LADED RETICULATED
AEROGEL

PETITION UNDER
M.P.E.P. 708.02 V

This is in response to the petition filed September 18, 2003 requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under Section 708.02 V of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) (**no fee required**).

The request for Special Status considered under Section 708.02 V is granted because the criteria under 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met.

Accordingly the petition is **GRANTED**.

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